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COMMITTEE ON OVERHEAD RECONNAISSANCE

Minutes of Meeting Held in Room 429
 Matomic Building, Central Intelligence Agency
 at 1:30 p.m., 25 September 1961

PRESIDING

James Q. Reber
 Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT

Col. D. D. Davis, OACSI

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Col. J. M. Winterbottom, AFCIN

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CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Lt. Col. H. E. Ruhsam, OACSI

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Maj. J. D. Bowlby, OACSI

Maj. S. J. Moran, AFCIN

Mr. F. A. Voigt, CIA

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Scheduling of Satellite Photography

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1. The COMOR agreed to forward the following to the United States Intelligence Board (see COMOR-D-48/1, [redacted] 26 September 1961).

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The Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance recommends that the two missions now scheduled for ARGON in October be postponed and that in their place CORONA missions be scheduled. This view is based upon the needs of the United States in the current international crisis for intelligence bearing upon the operational deployment of ICBMs in the USSR.

The Army and the Navy representatives on COMOR dissent from the foregoing view and recommend that the ARGON schedule be continued as planned.

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For the information of the Board, the COMOR has submitted requirements guidance to Operations in the eventuality that a decision is made that the CORONA missions shall be conducted.

Intelligence Requirements for Aerial Photo Reconnaissance Relevant to the
Current and Impending International Situation: Justifications for U-2 Opera-
tions against USSR [REDACTED] 19 September 1961

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2. The Committee approved the paper on the above subject issued as COMOR-D-47/5, [REDACTED] 25 September 1961 (the paper was forwarded to the USIB for action).

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James Q. Reber
Chairman

Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance

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